

IT ISN'T NECESSARY TO HAVE A DEFINITE OPINION ON EVERY SUBJECT.—William Feather

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The Week in Bethel

Mrs E S Kilborn will spend the winter at Miami Beach, Fla.

Mr and Mrs Harold Sorofman and son are visiting a few days in Rumford.

Charles Bane of West Paris spent the holiday with his son, Clayton Bane, and family.

Rev and Mrs Kingsley Hawthorne and daughter, Sarah, returned home Saturday from Pennsylvania.

Mr and Mrs S T Tripp have moved from North Newry to Mrs Olive Wood's home in Kimball Park.

Carl Cote, a driver for the E G Blake mill, is a surgical patient at the C M G Hospital, Lewiston.

Mrs Paul Thurston was called to Wrentham, Mass., last week by the death of her father, Lewis Perry.

Miss Methel Packard of Augusta spent the holiday and week end with her sister, Miss Ida Packard.

Walter Jodrey is recovering from leg injuries received last week when his railway motor car was derailed at Gilead.

Mrs Hortense Chapman will soon leave to spend the winter with her aunt, Miss Lizzie Dodge, in Colorado Springs.

Theodore Eames of Boston and Charles Cross were Thanksgiving guests of Mrs True Eames and Mrs Garett Eames.

Mrs Ruth Poole, formerly of Bethel, is a patient at the CMG Hospital in Lewiston, suffering from a heart ailment.

Mr and Mrs Peter Schutt and daughter, M G Schutt, left the last of the week for Ormond Beach, Fla., for the winter.

Snow is slowly accumulating on the ski slope and one good storm should see it in action as the rope has now been hung.

Mr and Mrs William Garber and grandson of Stoneham, Mass., were week end guests at the home of Mr and Mrs Arthur Garber.

Mr and Mrs Clayton Fossett and son Paul were Thanksgiving guests of her parents, Mr and Mrs Nathan French, at Milan, N. H.

Mr and Mrs Roger Foster and two boys had dinner Sunday with their daughter and son in law, Mr and Mrs Albert Saucier, of Auburn.

Mrs Isaac W Dyer and sons, Terry and Jimmie, spent a few days the past week with her parents, Mr and Mrs James Hamlin, in Winthrop.

Mr and Mrs Sam Smith, Mr and Mrs Albert C Smith and Thomas Smith were Thanksgiving Day guests of Mr and Mrs Edmund C Smith at West Bethel.

Mr and Mrs William Von Zintl have closed the Roadside Grille and with the Misses Laura Inman and Geneva Johnston will enjoy a month's trip to California.

Louis Thibodeau, teacher of French at Stephens High School, Rumford, will be the speaker at the meeting of the Bethel Chamber of Commerce next Tuesday evening.

Mrs Fred Clark, improved in health, was discharged from the Rumford Community Hospital last Wednesday and will spend some time at the home of Mr and Mrs David Forbes in Rumford.

The FTTC meeting was held from Monday, Dec. 5, to Wednesday, Dec. 7. A supper will be held at the cafeteria in the primary building at 6:30 followed by a theater party. The hostesses are: Mr and Mrs F Ernest Smith of Dixmont have moved into the Methodist parsonage. Mr Smith will be pastor of the Bethel church for the remainder of the church year.

Miss Alice Bennett, a member of the faculty of Bar Harbor High School, and Miss Isabel Bennett, a student at Russell Sage College, Troy, N. Y., spent a few days last week with their mother, Mrs Frances Bennett.

A Thanksgiving dinner was held at the home of Mrs Ethel Cross of Locke Mills, for the first time in many years, all of her children were there, including: Mr and Mrs Charles E Cross, Mr and Mrs Guy E Rice and family of Bethel, Mr and Mrs Rodney W Cross and family, Mr and Mrs J Carlton Lapham and family, all of Locke Mills. Kenneth Swan of Bryant Pond, came later in the day.

The Congregational Guild will have their Christmas party next Wednesday evening. The members were there, including: Mr and Mrs Charles E Cross, Mr and Mrs Guy E Rice and family of Bethel, Mr and Mrs Rodney W Cross and family, Mr and Mrs J Carlton Lapham and family, all of Locke Mills.

The party will follow. The ladies will meet on Thursday at 10 o'clock to complete the decorations. The Sale will start at 2:00 p. m. on Thursday afternoon.

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NEW STAMP TO HONOR WRIGHT BROTHERS . . . The post office department has announced that this six-cent air mail commemorative stamp will be placed on first-day sale at Kitty Hawk, N. C., on December 17. Heads of Wilbur and Orville Wright and a photo of their first plane adorn the stamp.

Barry York spent the week end at Stratton.

Mrs L E Davis is a patient at Bath Memorial Hospital.

C J Cornell of Montreal is the new operator at the Grand Trunk station.

Mr and Mrs Abner Kimball left Tuesday for Deland, Fla., where they will spend the winter.

Mr and Mrs Richard Woodcock of Lewiston have been spending a few days with relatives in town.

Miss Claire Lapham and Roy G Smith spent Saturday evening with Mr and Mrs Guy E Rice and family.

Mr and Mrs Walter Tikaner spent the week end at South Paris, guests of Mr and Mrs Oscar Tikaner, Sr.

Henry H Hastings has been named local chairman for the financial drive of the Republican State Committee.

Mr and Mrs Leslie Carter of South Portland spent Thanksgiving with their parents, Mr and Mrs Elmer Trask.

Mr and Mrs Eugene Fuila and three sons of Rumford were holiday guests of Mr and Mrs Raymond Dexter.

Frank Merrill remains ill at the home of his son, Clifford Merrill. Mr Guy Swan is assisting at the Merrill home.

Mr and Mrs Earlon Paine and two children were Thanksgiving guests of his mother, Mrs Clayton Hall, in Freeport.

Mr and Mrs Henry Hastings spent the holiday with her mother, Mrs Lillian MacKinnon, and other relatives at Mexico.

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Mr and Mrs Roger Foster and two boys had dinner Sunday with their daughter and son in law, Mr and Mrs Frank Douglass in Hanover.

Mr and Mrs Daniel Wight and sons, Eric and Kevin, of Rumford, spent the holiday with their parents, Mr and Mrs Paul C Thurston.

Mr and Mrs Ernest Perkins spent Thanksgiving with Mrs Perkins' parents, Mr and Mrs James Tronholm, in Phillips. Mrs Perkins remained for a longer visit.

Mr and Mrs Guy Pratt entertained their daughter, Mrs Prescott Tucker, and daughter, Claire, of Dover, Mass., and Mrs Mabel Durkee of Upton, Thanksgiving Day.

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PRODUCTION AND MARKETING ELECTIONS THIS MONTH

Committeemen of the Oxford County Production and Marketing organization will be elected at meetings to be held in all parts of the county during the next three weeks, according to Lawrence Marston, chairman of the County Production and Marketing Committee. In conducting the program at these meetings, the chairman will have the assistance of the other two members of the committee—J Carleton Conant and Edmund C Smith, and the County Agent, Gilbert B Jaeger, as well as R H Lovejoy, Farmer-Fieldman.

Mr Marston states that in addition to electing the community committeemen the farmers attending these meetings will also elect the delegates to the county convention, scheduled for the last week in December, to elect the county committee.

The schedule of these community meetings in this vicinity all of which are to be held in the evening at 7:30, is as follows: Community Room, Bethel, Tuesday, Dec. 6; Bethel, Gilead, Lincoln, Mason, Magalloway, Upton, Newry, Hanover.

Rumford Grange Hall, Rumford Center, Thursday, Dec. 15; Rumford, Andover, Mexico, Milton, Byron, Roxbury.

Franklin Grange Hall, Franklin, Friday, Dec. 16; Norway, Greenwood.

North Waterford Church Vestry, Wednesday, Dec. 21: Waterford, Albany, Stoneham, Sweden.

Economic Highlights

Occurrences That Affect the Dinner Pails, Dividend Checks and Tax Bills of Every Individual—National and International Problems Inseparable from Local Welfare

Some time ago a national magazine called Marshall Tito, the dictator of Yugoslavia, the most important man in the world. This may have been an exaggeration, but the reasoning behind it is clear. Tito has been the first leader within the Soviet orbit to break with the Kremlin and get away with it—all the others who have tried it have been liquidated without a delay, as in Czechoslovakia. If Tito can continue to get away with it, and if Yugoslavia remains independent of Russia, it will be, in Walter Lippmann's phrase, "windfall for Italy and the western powers."

Americans will make a grave mistake if they think Tito's action is the result of a change of heart so far as communism as a principle is concerned. Tito has been a revolutionary and an underground fighter all his life—there can be no doubt but what his guerrilla activities during the war were of great service to the Allies. He is tough and able. At the same time, he believes passionately in Marxian principles. His break with the Soviet Union was primarily caused by two developments. First, he believes that Stalin and the other top Russians have gone astray from the true communist path. Second, and perhaps most important, he is also a nationalist and he is bitterly opposed to having his country exist simply as a Soviet satellite, with no power of decision of its own, and subject to the whims of the Kremlin. In other words, he wants Yugoslavia to remain independent of Russia, but he also wants an independent Yugoslavia.

Many expected Tito's dramatic break with Moscow to be followed by immediate Soviet military action to put the upstart in his place—which, if past precedent means anything, would be in the next world. Russia may, of course, still make the attempt. The puzzle is what has held her back so far, and there are various answers to it.

Yugoslavia has a well-equipped army, large for a country of her size even so, it couldn't last long against Soviet military might. It is also possible that Russia has so much internal trouble on her hands now, as a result of her post-war expansionist tactics, that she doesn't feel capable of taking on any more. Then the Politburo may fear that war with Tito might be the match that would set off an explosion of far wider implications, for which she isn't ready.

In any event, an independent Yugoslavia, communist as she may be internally, is a great asset to the West. Walter Lippmann believes that we should play our hand carefully in the matter, and not force Russia into a position where she might feel that Tito must be eliminated for reasons of "face" and security. He writes: "Tito should be helped... But no sophomore illusions should be entertained about converting him into a military satellite of the West. We should be satisfied with a neutral Yugoslavia."

FRED F. BEAN

Fred F Bean passed away this Thursday morning at his home on the Locke Mills road after an illness of nearly six months. Funeral services will be held at the Greenleaf funeral home at two o'clock Sunday afternoon.

MRS. ANNIE L. WILLEY

Mrs Annie L Willey died last Thursday night, Nov. 24, at the home of her sister, Mrs Eleanor Bryant, at Buckfield after a long illness.

Mrs Willey was born at Paris, April 9, 1869, the daughter of Levi and Helen Jacobs Stearns.

Coming to Bethel in 1906, for over 25 years she was associated with her cousin, the late Lillian M Stearns, in conducting a millinery store. While here she was a trustee of the Universalist Church.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the Buckfield Church, the Rev E R Farrar officiating. Burial was in the Pleasant Pond Cemetery, Paris.

GEORGE H. SWAN

George Henry Swan died Thursday at the Rumford Community Hospital, following a long illness. He was born at East Bethel, Aug. 15, 1871, the son of Nathaniel and Eliza Swan.

He had been a resident of Dixfield the past 28 years.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs Henry Babb, Wilton, Mrs D D Holman, Dixfield, and Mrs Walter Rand, East Wilton; four sons, Roger, Stanley, John, and Bartlett Swan, all of Dixfield; a sister, Mrs Carrie Bartlett; 12 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the Hawthrone funeral home, Dixfield, the Rev. Mr. Mills officiating, and burial was in the East Bethel cemetery.

LILLIAN A. KENENSON

Miss Lillian Agnes Kenerson died Tuesday night, Nov. 23, at the home of her sister, Mrs Mildred Wilbur.

She was born April 28, 1871, in Lowell, Mass., the daughter of Francis Marlon and Amanda S Kenerson. Since 1935 she has lived in Bethel, coming here from Amesbury, Mass.

Besides her sister she is survived by three nephews, Harold Nutting of Bethel; Raymond Lucy of La Crosse, Wis.; and Charles Glassup of Auburn, N. H.

Funeral services were held Friday at the Greenleaf funeral home, the Rev Charles Moyer officiating. Interment was at Amesbury, Mass.

O'BRIEN - HILL

Bethel friends of Miss Jean Hill and Bernard J O'Brien will be interested in the following excerpt from an account of their marriage in a St. Augustine, Fla., newspaper.

Miss Hill for the past two years has been the secretary of Peter Schutt, manager of Bethel Inn, and Mr O'Brien was here as Dr Walter's secretary in 1948. The wedding took place on Nov. 5.

The Cathedral Rectory was the setting yesterday at high noon for the marriage of Miss Jean DeVane Hill, daughter of Mr and Mrs Raymond DeWitt Hill, of No. 9 Milton Street, and Bernard James O'Brien, son of Mrs Edward James O'Brien, of Fresno, California, and the late Mr. O'Brien.

The double ring ceremony, which was witnessed only by members of the immediate family, was performed by the Rev Father Larkin Connolly. A floral background of white gladioli, chrysanthemums, tuberoses and delicate ferns made an effective setting for the bridal party.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and had her sister, Miss Winifred Hill, as her maid of honor. Murray John Costello served as best man for the bridegroom.

The bride, a lovely striking blonde, wore a costume suit of steel blue satin crepe, a Benham original. The dress was designed with a fitted bodice, square neckline and cap sleeves, the ankle-length skirt falling in slightly full, graceful.

The coat, with its snuff-fitted waistline was handsomely embellished with appliqued designs done in steel beads, pearls and silver disks. She wore a turban of ice blue panno velvet with black osprey and rhinestone ornament.

Her accessories were black, and she carried an arm bouquet of white orchids and tuberoses.

Upon their return from their wedding trip, Mr and Mrs O'Brien will reside in Washington, D. C., where Mr O'Brien is an engineer with the U. S. Air Force.

Mrs O'Brien was graduated from Ketterlinus High School. Mr O'Brien was graduated from Harvard University and served in the U. S. Navy during the last war.

EARLY MAILING OF GIFTS URGED BY POST OFFICE

In an endeavor to insure satisfactory mail service for Christmas gifts and cards, the Post Office Department is again asking for the cooperation of the public in early mailing and the correct postage on greeting cards. Unsealed cards now

cost 2 cents postage with no written message permitted and no forwarding or return service. Three cents gives all the advantages of first class mail. They also urge that packages be tied tightly and wrapped well.

Closing dates for Christmas mail to different states have been announced as follows:

Surface parcel post, Nov. 28; surface letters and greeting cards, Dec. 5; air parcel post, Dec. 17; air letters and greeting cards, Dec. 19; Arizona, California, Oregon, Washington.

Surface parcel post, Dec. 2; letters, Dec. 9; air parcel post, Dec. 17; letters, Dec. 20; Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Wisconsin, Wyoming.

Surface parcel

SKILLINGSTON

Mr and Mrs Harold Young and Mr and Mrs Robert Baker and family spent Thanksgiving with Mr and Mrs William Young and family at Locke Mills.

Mrs Alden Wilson and children were callers of Mrs Sophie Conner and Mrs Lila Brown, Thursday.

Mr and Mrs Seymour Butters and family were Thanksgiving guests of Mr and Mrs William Danforth at Portland.

Mr and Mrs Rodney Brooks and son spent Thanksgiving with his parents, Mr and Mrs Clyde Brooks.

Mrs Lizzie Vashaw of Norway was the guest of Mr and Mrs Ernest Brinck, Thanksgiving.

Mark Wight and daughter, Alice, of Berlin, N. H., were holiday guests of Mr and Mrs John Wight and family.

Mrs Merton Brown is visiting her mother at Bath.

Carlton Saunders was the lucky hunter last week.

Holiday guests of Mr and Mrs Lucius McAllister were Mrs Lena Dodge of Norway and George McAllister.

Alice McAllister was the guest of Kay McMillin, Thanksgiving.

Levi Butters of Lovell is a guest of Mr and Mrs Seymour Butters this week.

Mrs Sarah Saunders is entertaining a plastic party, Friday evening.

Mr and Mrs Clayton Blake entertained 32 guests, Thanksgiving.

Mr and Mrs Rodney Hanscom and son spent Thanksgiving with Mr and Mrs Hartley Hanscom and family at Newry.

NORTH WOODSTOCK

Mrs. C. James Knights, Corres.

Richard Cole and Irving Cushman of the U. of M., Orono, spent the holiday and week end with their parents.

Richard Cole, mother and grandmother, were at Norway, Saturday. They called to see Eugene Bland and family at South Paris and also at the Noyes nursing home, West Paris.

Herschel Abbott and C. James Knights have been sick.

The Thanksgiving evening service at the Chapel was well attended.

Edwin Ricker got a deer recently. Mr and Mrs Nelson Whitman were callers at C. James Knights' one evening last week.

Thanksgiving Guests

Mr and Mrs Harland Abbott and daughter, Judy, of Farmington, Mr and Mrs Herschel Abbott were guests of their parents, Mr and Mrs George Abbott.

Mr and Mrs Fred Whitman were with Mr and Mrs Arthur Whitman.

Mr and Mrs Lee Billings and children and Harry Howe were guests of Mr and Mrs Edgar Davis.

Mr and Mrs Herman Cole entertained Mr and Mrs Ota Dudley, son Dana, Christine Berry, Herschel, Mrs Mary Ann Knights, their son, Richard, from the University of Maine, and Clarence Smith.

Mrs Sherwood Buck and children and father, Herbert Noyes, were holiday and week end guests of relatives in Massachusetts.

Mr and Mrs Clinton Buck entertained Sherwood Buck, Mr and Mrs Kenneth Buck and son, Mr and Mrs Hanno Cushman and family.

Mr and Mrs Frank Coffin entertained several of their children and families.

Mr and Mrs David Foster and daughter of Alton, N. H., were guests of Mr and Mrs Everett Cole.

Mr and Mrs John Hemingway were with Mr and Mrs William Emerson, West Summer.

Mr and Mrs Yates and children were with Mr and Mrs Clayton Blake at Bethel.

Francis Cole of the Noyes nursing home, West Paris, was unable to be with Mr and Mrs C. James Knights due to illness.

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UPTON

Mrs. C. A. Judkins, Corres.

Mr and Mrs W. E. Hicks entertained his half-brother, J. J. Alard, and family of Virginia last week.

Lucky hunters in town getting deer this year are: Mr and Mrs Richard Williamson, Albert Allen, Leslie Fuller, Colon Fuller, Roland Bernier, George Wight, Floyd West, Mrs Alma Collins and W. E. Hicks. Also W. E. Hicks got a bobcat and Mrs. Virginia Williamson got a bear.

C. A. Judkins, Albert Judkins, Mary Douglass, Edith Lombard and Shirley Enman attended Grange meeting at Newry Saturday evening, Nov. 26, where Edith and Shirley took the third and fourth degrees with other candidates from Bear River, Grange.

GROVER HILL

Mrs. M. C. Mundt, Corres.

Mr and Mrs Elton Coolidge and family had Thanksgiving dinner with Mr and Mrs Floyd Coolidge.

Howard Waterhouse was home for Thanksgiving.

Miss Gwen Stearns was home for the Thanksgiving holidays.

Miss Jeanette Trefethen had Thanksgiving dinner with Gwen and Karl Stearns.

Mr and Mrs Malcolm Mundt and daughters and James Mundt attended a family Thanksgiving dinner at the home of Mr and Mrs

Howard Waterhouse, son of Mr and Mrs Cleve Waterhouse, is now stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash.

The lucky hunters in this vicinity were Dwight, Beryl, and Junior Martin and Arnold Farr.

Leland Farr is a visitor at Mr and Mrs Harold Churchill's.

Henry Eowers was working on his house last week.

Junior Martin is going to work for the Tebbets company at Locke Mills.

The feldspar mine is closed for the winter.

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Clayton Mills. Also present were Mr and Mrs Fred Mundt, Mr and Mrs Ernest Mundt, Mrs Wilfred Coolidge, Marie, Arthur and Elmer Mills.

Thanksgiving holiday guests of Mr and Mrs Clyde Whitman were Mr and Mrs Sidney Rogers and Arthur Whitman.

Mrs Cleve Waterhouse and son, Howard, were in Auburn, Friday afternoon to visit Annie Holt.

Mr and Mrs C. C. Abbott and son, Albert, visited Mr and Mrs Cleve Waterhouse Sunday afternoon.

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It Looked Good But Do You Know What Happened? By Ding Darling



"JUST ONE LITTLE BITE"

By DON HEROLD

All that Socialism asks is that we take one little bite at a time. That's what the serpent said to Adam and Eve.

And we are tempted to try just one little bite, because, after all, we are by nature curious, and what harm can one little bite do?

First thing you know, we've eaten the whole apple.

That's how England got her Socialism—just nibbling at it. It was a definite, cold-blooded policy of the founders of Socialism in England to feed it to the na-

tion gradually—without even mentioning the word Socialism. The movement got going in 1905. Now, 44 years later, England is the victim of the snake in the tree.

The same sneaking attack is being made by Socialism on American methods of life. Unless we watch out, we'll be sold piecemeal on letting the government do everything for us, instead of sticking to the American "do-it-yourself" ideals which have made us so strong.

They'll try to socialize our industries, one by one. To take our field of industry alone, our federal government has already

built or bought 46 hydroelectric and 10 steam power plants. And 42 additional plants are under construction or have funds appropriated, while Congress has authorized construction of 74 future plants. In all, the government has plants which would involve expenditures in this field of over 40 billion dollars.

And that would be just the beginning of Socialism's conquest of American industry. Socialism doesn't declare its intentions. It makes a slow, creeping advance. All it asks is "Take just this one little bite now."

William Ball, who is attending Boston University was home for Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Thurston Rumford; Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Pugliese and daughter, Mary Jane, Gorham, N. H.; George E. Merrill, Bethel; Mr. and Mrs. George Learned and family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Learned.

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Mr. and Mrs. Leland Mason are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son at Manchester, N. H. Hospital.

Mrs. Harry Taylor and infant son, Wayne Edward, have returned home from the Rumford Community Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Glendon McAllister formerly of Cleated, but recently married in Roxbury, Mass., were recent guests of their aunt, Mrs. Robert Chapman.

Mrs. Lloyd O'Brien daughters Elizabeth and Margery, and sons Donald and Dennis, of Gorham, were guests of Mrs. Florence Holden Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kaufman and son returned Monday to their home in New York City, after spending a vacation with their mother, Mrs. Mildred Carroll.

Mrs. Annette Chapman is confined to her home by illness.

Raymond Holden of South Paris spent the week end at his home here.

Mrs. Beniah Mason has returned to Danbury, Conn., after spending the holiday and week end with her husband at their farm on the Bog Road.

Mrs. Donald Merrill and son have returned to Delhi, N. Y., after spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Kneceland.

Mrs. Lena Heath, who has been ill, is improving.

Les Witter of Portsmouth, N. H., spent the holiday with his family here.

Mrs. Florence Holden was a visitor in Gorham, N. H., Monday.

Miss Jane Annis returned to Bethel, Monday to resume her studies at Gould Academy.

EARLY RISERS 4-H CLUB

The fifth meeting of the Early Risers was called to order by the president, Clark Bartlett, at Mary and Irene Coolidge's.

The secretary's report was read and accepted. There were 17 members present and four absent. There were also four visitors present.

The treasurer was absent but dues amounting to 75 cents were collected, bringing the total in the treasury to \$22.20.

Plans were completed for the card party and box social, Nov. 26, at the Orange Hall. Lee Merrill was to get prizes and Robert Curtis and Carroll Merrill were to make score cards.

Mr. James gave record sheets and material to the 4-H members for their various projects. He also took the names of those who had started their projects. Nearly everyone had started one or more.

The next meeting will be held Dec. 8 at Leroy, Harley, and Lee Merrill's. We will draw names at this meeting for gifts to be given at the Christmas party, Dec. 22. The 4-H members will also make Christmas wreaths at the Christmas meeting. Mary Coolidge, 4-H Club Reporter.

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Why Not Now?

by Maurice R. Franks
(EDITOR'S NOTE: Maurice R. Franks is Director of the National Labor - Management Foundation and Editor of its official publication, PARTNERS.)

Considering how hard organized labor has fought for collective bargaining as a legal establishment, it would seem that union leaders, as a matter of course, would go all out to apply it. Instead our present crop of labor chieftains, big and little, senior and junior, appear to place small faith in its effectiveness. On the slightest provocation, they leap from the conference room and go running to the government for intervention.

We recently had a steel dispute at hand for easy reference. Here the union leaders, side-tracking the principle of collective bargaining, made a demand on the industry based solely on figures supplied by a so-called "statistician." When told by the employers it would be impossible to meet this initial demand, the union leaders declined to approach the issue any farther via the avenue of collective bargaining. Threatening to call a nation-wide steel strike, they cornered the President into setting up a fact-finding board. Apparently they were confident that a friendly President would appoint a board friendly to their side of the dispute and, with eyes glued on figures obtained from their private "fact-finders," they looked forward to a decision strongly biased in their favor.

Possibly the decision of the board when it came, was a disappointment to the leaders of the Steelworkers union—for it made no bones about pointing out that the steel industry could not possibly accede to full union demand. Being made up of honest, fair-minded men, the board rendered what it believed to be a fair opinion. Unable, due to lack of time and technical knowledge, to learn all the facts, the President's fact-finders nevertheless dealt squarely with whatever facts did actually come to light. And herein lies a lesson for all labor leaders—a lesson that some of them may thus far have overlooked:

The likelihood is slight that any fact-finding board appointed by the President will ever be made up of crooks or imbeciles—chances are that all such boards will match in integrity and mental capacity the one appointed to examine the steel industry. Very well, if organized labor in the future is to place its faith in such governmental boards rather than in the process of straightforward collective bargaining, the day may not be too far distant when another such board will render another honest opinion—one which, based on indisputable facts, may possibly call for a reduction, rather than increase, in wages.

With eyes wide open to reality, Samuel Gompers pointed the way for organized labor's surest advancement. "The hope of the public, the hope of the workers, the hope of all for peace and progress, for continuity of production and for safety from oppression, lies not in a state-erected machine," he declared, "but in acceptance by employers generally of the machinery of collective bargaining."

This practical goal has now been achieved, and every honest labor leader knows it. More than that, untold advantage has thus far accrued to organized labor as a result of that achievement. The wonder then is that at this late stage of the game, some of our greatest leaders of labor coldly turn their backs upon this basic instrument of effective unionism and go in search of the very state-erected machinery decried by Gompers.

If unionism is to enjoy long life, it must build on its own accomplishments and one of the most sturdy of these is its collective-bargaining status. It's man to man equality with management before the law. By relinquishing all this in favor of the dictates of govern-

YOUR brain budget

1. One time, Americans bought wives for 100 pounds of tobacco per wife at (a) Philadelphia, (b) Cambridge, Mass., (c) Jamestown, Va., (d) Raleigh, N. C.

2. English statesman who championed cause of American colonists was (a) Disraeli, (b) William Pitt, (c) Edmund Burke, (d) Thomas Hobbes.

3. A monument at Jamestown, Va., to an Indian commemo-

rates (a) Hiawatha, (b) Red Wing, (c) Pocahontas, (d) Powhatan.

4. The Panay was (a) sunk, (b) scuttled, (c) burned, (d) painted.

5. Certain brands of soap float because they (a) are pure, (b) contain air bubbles, (c) are lighter than water, (d) are hollow.

ANSWERS
1—(a) Jamestown, Va., in 1620, when a ship arrived

2—(b) William Pitt, Earl of Chatham.

3—(a) Hiawatha.

4—(b) Sunken by Japanese airplanes on the Yangtze.

5—(b) They contain air bubbles.

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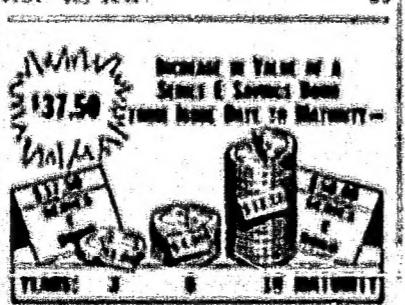
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A country's use of oil, in fact, provides a pretty good barometer of its living standards. Our leadership is overwhelming.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

The American Legion Auxiliary met at the Legion Rooms, Nov. 22. The Auxiliary joined the Legion for movies, "Medicine in the Armed Forces."

The Second District Council meets in Lewiston, Dec. 10. The Oxford County Council meets with the Bethel Post, Dec. 13, at the Legion Rooms. Refreshment committee: Mrs Errol Donahue, Mrs Ernest Gallant, Mrs John Mervine, Mrs Chester Chapman.

The president appointed the following committee for Christmas supper: Mrs Frances Bennett, Mrs A. D. Forbes, Mrs Jack Compass.

The following committee is to purchase gifts for children: Mrs. W. Fred Baker, Mrs. Adeline Dexter. It was voted to let the Girl Scouts use the Legion Rooms for the winter.

Refreshments were served after the meeting and a farewell gift was presented to Mrs. Sidney Chapman.

In closing, the congregation joined in singing a hymn such as No. 283

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BRYANT POND

—Mrs. Edith C. Abbott, Correspondent

The Bryant Pond Garden Club will meet at the home of the president, Mrs. H. Kirke Stowell, Thursday afternoon, Dec. 8.

Edwin Howe, the Master of Franklin Grange, is attending the Maine State Grange sessions at Portland this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alden Chase, in company with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Edminster, Norway, went to Massachusetts for Thanksgiving, visiting Gordon Chase and family at Newton, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Stephen Chase at Medford. They returned home Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bean and daughters, Andrea and Melita of Middletown, Conn., were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Cole for the holiday and week end.

Miss Alice Chute, who is employed at the mill in Locke Mills has been ill at her home here with rosewood poisoning since June. On Thanksgiving Eve she received a happy surprise of gifts and about \$50 in money from the office and friends at the mill. These acts of kindness were much appreciated. Although she is now gaining, she will be unable to work until the poison is gone.

Mr. and Mrs. Seymour McAllister spent Thanksgiving and the week end at their camp in North Newry.

Mrs. Ida Farnum entertained as dinner guests Thursday, her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Farnum, and children, Frederick, David and Carroll Ann.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hayes were Thanksgiving Day guests of their niece, Mrs. Linona Blieke, and family at Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Farnum entertained a family group on Thanksgiving, including Mr. and Mrs. Dana Barry, Gorham, N. H.; Mrs. Mabel Terrill, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Terrill and Fern, Locke Mills; Mrs. Robert Lowe, and son, Robert, Bethel.

Miss Roberta Ordway of West Paris spent the Thanksgiving vacation with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ordway.

Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Emery moved last week end to the house owned by H. Orlis Noyes, for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. James Billings entertained their daughter, Miss Alden Billings, for the Holiday recess. Sunday they carried her to Portland on her way back to Mt. Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass., then spent the day with Mrs. Billings' sister, Mrs. Ellsworth MacDonald and family at Yarmouth.

Mrs. Mabel Andrews has been quite ill, and is unable to teach. Mrs. Miriam McAllister is substituting for her in the fifth and sixth grade room.

Mrs. Mary Felt's Thanksgiving guests were her son, Linwood Felt and family, Bethel, and daughter, Marion Strout and family of East Corinth were week end guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bryant and daughter, June, joined a family group at the home of Mrs. Annie Davis, South Woodstock.

Members of Franklin Grange are requested to bring something for a pony lunch to be served at the meeting Saturday night, Dec. 3.

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LOCKE MILLS

—Mrs. Mary Mills, Correspondent

King Bartlett, who has spent the summer and fall at his camp on Round Pond, left recently for Boston, where he will spend the winter.

Calvin Coolidge, who is in the navy, and Harry Swan, Jr., who is in the army, are spending several days at their homes.

Deer have been shot the past week in this vicinity by Onel Batchelder, Wilfred Coolidge, Robert Cole, Raymond and Will Seames, Clyde Dunham, and James Tibbotts.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Swan entertained for Thanksgiving their daughter, Leila, and son, Raymond Swan and wife.

Judith Andrews, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Andrews, was taken Friday to the CMG hospital in serious condition. She is reported to be slowly improving. Her mother, Mrs. Mary Andrews, is with her.

Barbara Leach, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Leach, is confined by illness.

Miss Madelyn Swan spent the week end with relatives at Norway.

Charles Newell, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Newell, is ill.

Mrs. Bertha Emmons has been discharged from the CMG hospital and is with her aunt, Mrs. Harry Maxfield at her convalescent home at Scarborough.

Rodney (Doc) Robinson has returned to his home from the Rumford hospital.

Wendell Roberts shot a bob cat last week.

Church services will be held at 2:30, Sunday afternoon.

WEST GREENWOOD

—Mrs. Paul Croteau, Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Capilon and daughters of Attleboro, Mass., called at B. L. Harrington's, Saturday.

Rene Larivée and friends of Berlin, N. H., called at Paul Croteau's, Sunday afternoon.

B. L. Harrington and son, Gerald, sawed wood for Paul Croteau the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Deegan are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, Nov. 27, at the Rumford Community Hospital.

Mrs. Gladys Davis of West Paris, and Mrs. Alden Wilson were in Rumford, Sunday afternoon.

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—Mrs. Bernice Noyes, Correspondent

Thanksgiving Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Curtis were Mr. and Mrs. Oliva Whitman and daughter, Dawnalyn, of South Paris, and Mr. and Mrs. Kendrick Scribner.

Carroll Curtis shot a twelve point buck, weighing 238 pounds dressed, Thanksgiving Day. Other lucky hunters over the week end were: Harold Verrill, Harris Tyler, Clark Bartlett, Charlie Smith, Chester Harrington, Fred Haines, David Foster, and Haakon Olson.

Thanksgiving Day guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Newton were Mr. and Mrs. Granville Burns and daughter, Jean, of Norway, Victor Petry, and Jean Burns.

Miss Deborah Farwell left Wednesday night for New Britain, Conn., where she has a teaching position.

Marily Noyes and Lendall Nevins returned to the University of Maine, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Farwell and sons, Porter, Richard and Louville, returned Saturday from Houghton where they spent last week on a hunting trip.

Mrs. Ella Russell of Hanover was Thanksgiving Day guest of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Farwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith were callers at O. B. Farwell's, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Brooks and daughters were Thanksgiving Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Billings.

Kenneth Edmunds and Frederick Johnson of Lynn, Mass., were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Harrington.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendall Edmunds and daughter, Sandra, of Norway, returned home Sunday after spending several days at the home of Mrs. Evelyn Harrington.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Smith and children, Gary and Donna, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Moore at Norway, Saturday.

George Haines returned home Monday after spending two weeks with his daughter, Mrs. J. Burton Abbott at Bethel.

Miss Virginia Hastings spent the holidays at home from Bates College.

Alder River Grange is sponsoring a supper at the Grange Hall, Saturday night at 6:30 for the benefit of the East Bethel school lunch program.

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NORTH NEWRY

—Mrs. L. E. Wright, Correspondent

Arnold Evans and party of Portland are at Wight Brook Camp for the last days of hunting.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Hanscom had guests Thanksgiving Day, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Newell and son, Charlie, of Locke Mills; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hanscom and son, Rodney Jr., all of Bethel; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hanscom, Greenwood; Mr. and Mrs. Verno Glover and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wright attended Pomona Grange at Norway, Tuesday.

Clinton Staples and family spent Thanksgiving Day with relatives in Mexico.

The Finance Committee of Bear River Grange met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wright, Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Tripp have moved to Bethel for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Ferren and daughter, Earlene, returned to their home in Worcester, Mass., Sunday, after spending Thanksgiving with relatives here.

Clyde Merrill of Bethel shot a cub bear in Norway, Friday.

Paul Wright, USN, of Lakehurst, N. J., spent Thanksgiving and week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Wright, sons Stephen and David, of Machias, were guests of his parents over the holiday.

Everett Ferren lost a nice steer last week.

Mrs. Amy Bennett, who has been working at Joel Merrill's, Bethel, returned home Sunday after spending several days at the home of Mrs. Evelyn Harrington.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Smith and children, Gary and Donna, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Moore at Norway, Saturday.

The regular meeting of Bear River Grange was held Saturday evening, Nov. 28, with 44 members and five visitors present. The third and fourth degrees were conferred upon five candidates, two of them being from Upton Grange. On Saturday night, Dec. 10, Installation of officers will be held. The men will furnish the supper. Worthy Master Fred Wright and Mrs. Wright will preside at the State Grange, at Portland, Dec. 6-8.

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NORTHWEST BETHEL

—Stanley Coolidge, Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Coolidge and daughter, Sharon, enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Coolidge.

Barbara and Richard Angevine are both ill with colds.

Miss Barbara Keenan enjoyed the holiday at her home.

Annette Chapman has been quite ill with pneumonia.

Robert Stearns was in Berlin, N. H., Monday morning.

Laura Wilson is ill with a cold. Lewis Chadwick bagged a big deer the last of last week.

Elwin Wilson and son, Harold, were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Nowlin and three children, Donald, Sharon and Christie.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Howe and family and Mrs. Jessie Soule of Portland were guests of the H. S. Stanley's on Thanksgiving.

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Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Lapham were at their home over the week end.

Laura Wilson has had the cast removed from her leg; it has improved greatly.

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MIDDLE INTERVALE

—Mrs. Augustus Carter, Correspondent

Augustus Carter and Richard Carter and family spent Thanksgiving Day with their mother, Mrs. Fannie Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Johnston and three sons of Arlington, Mass., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stevens and family spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Stearns at Albany. David Carter is very ill at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Gunther and family spent Thanksgiving at R. M. Bean's at Sunday River.

Thanksgiving Day guests of Mrs. Augustus Carter were Mr. and Mrs. John Nowlin and three children, Donald, Sharon and Christie.

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These Things Will Happen If The Anti-Trust Lawyers Have Their Way

When the anti-trust lawyers from Washington filed their suit against A&P, we told the American people, our customers, our suppliers and our employees how this attack would affect them.

We said that this attack, if successful, would mean the end of A&P as you know it.

We said that it would mean higher food prices for American consumers.

We said that if they succeed in destroying A&P the way would be cleared for the destruction of other efficient large-scale retailers.

We thought the American people were entitled to know about this threat to their welfare and standard of living.

Since that time, however, the anti-trust lawyers have been making speeches, talking over the radio, writing letters and giving stories to the newspapers, in which they say we are all wrong.

They say that this suit will not close a single A&P store; and that instead of raising food prices it will lower them.

And they have tried to give the impression that nobody will be hurt by this decision except the present owners of A&P.

We don't think that the American people want to be confused by these statements. We know that when they have the facts, they will understand that this case can affect the living standards and the way of life of every American citizen.

Here are the facts:

It Will Destroy A&P

The anti-trust lawyers have repeatedly stated that "the suit will not result in the closing of a single A&P store", and that "the purpose of the suit is to enjoin A&P from continuing activity which has been held to violate the law."

The fact is that the suit is designed not only to "enjoin" A&P from alleged illegal activities, but actually to destroy the company.

Here is what they have asked the court to do:

Break up A&P's retail stores into seven groups, each of which must be sold to different owners, and operated under new management.

Order us to sell A&P's factories, which produce many of the fine foods you find in our stores, to still other new owners.

Prevent any of the seven groups of stores from operating any of the factories.

None of the present owners, who have made A&P what it is today, can have anything to do with either the stores or the factories.

The first A&P store was opened 90 years ago. For the past 50 years the

company has been managed by George L. Hartford and John A. Hartford. These are the men who have pioneered the policy of low-cost, low-profit, low-price food retailing which has won A&P the patronage of millions of American families and given them more good food for their money.

If the anti-trust lawyers have their way, these men and other company executives will be completely out of the picture. No one can predict what the policies of the new owners of the various parts of A&P will be.

No one can predict that they will sell the same quality food at the same low prices, or that they will keep the same employees, or give them the same high wages, short hours, pensions and security.

Nor, despite the anti-trust lawyers' statement, can anyone tell how many A&P stores will remain open or will be closed.

So, while there may be a food store where your A&P is now located, it won't be your A&P store.

Make no mistake about it. If the anti-trust lawyers win their suit it will mean the end of A&P as you know it.

Your Food Will Cost More

The anti-trust lawyers have repeatedly stated that the suit will not increase, but should decrease, grocery prices.

Anybody who has ever shopped in an A&P store, or has ever taken a high-school course in economics, knows better than that.

Everyone knows that A&P's policy has always been to keep costs and profits at a minimum so that it can sell good food cheap.

The very heart of the anti-trust lawyers' case is that A&P's methods, which they claim are illegal, have enabled the company to undersell competitors. How can anyone possibly say that you will get lower food prices by eliminating the company that has done so much to bring them down?

Actually, there is no question that this suit, if successful, will mean higher food prices for A&P customers.

Here is just one of a number of reasons:

We manufacture many of the quality foods we sell in our stores, such as Bokar, Red Circle and Eight O'Clock coffees, Ann Page foods, White House milk, and many others.

The anti-trust lawyers admit that we pass along these manufacturing savings to our customers in the form of lower prices.

But, the anti-trust lawyers have asked the court to order us to get rid of our manufacturing facilities, which would put an end to all these savings.

This means that if these A&P brands continued to be manufactured, you would have to pay higher prices for them wherever you found them.

The anti-trust lawyers say that food prices would go down in other stores. They claim that food manufacturers would be able to sell cheaper to other grocers because they would not have to make up *alleged* losses they now incur in selling to A&P.

This, of course, is pure nonsense. The suppliers who voluntarily seek our business and are now rushing to our defense obviously find it profitable to deal with A&P. Actually, their sales to this company enable them to build up their volume, reduce their costs, and sell more cheaply to all grocers.

The elimination of A&P from the picture would tend to increase, rather than decrease, the wholesale cost of food; and this, in turn, will be reflected in increases in retail prices.

Make no mistake about it. If the anti-trust lawyers succeed in putting A&P out of business you will find your food bill is higher.

Others Will Be Hurt

The anti-trust lawyers have insisted that this suit will not affect other distributors, "nor will it destroy any efficiencies of mass distribution."

The fact is that the anti-trust lawyers ask the court to break up the company, make it get rid of its admittedly legal manufacturing operations and in general destroy many of the efficiencies which have enabled it to sell food cheaper.

If such an attack is successful, it immediately raises the likelihood of similar attacks on other chain stores.

The anti-trust lawyers are saying that they "do not contemplate any other suits of this nature at this time."

But that does not mean that they cannot undertake such suits at any future time if they win this case.

As a matter of fact, the anti-trust lawyers made practically the same allegations against two of our largest competitors that they are making against us. And it can also be used as the basis for an attack against other grocers and merchants in other lines.

There are today literally thousands of chain stores, voluntary groups and individual merchants operating with the same methods and in the same pattern here under attack.

If A&P is destroyed, no businessman could safely pursue an aggressive sales policy designed to lower prices and give his customers a better deal if by so doing he takes business away from any competitor.

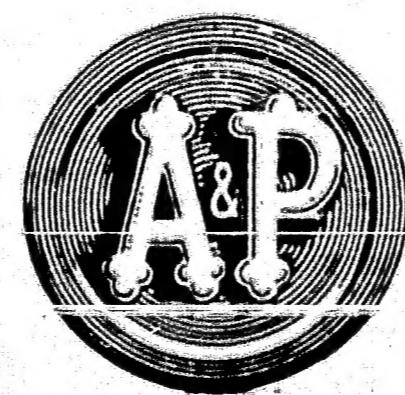
Even if the anti-trust lawyers have no intention now of prosecuting other suits, a decision against A&P will establish a precedent that could be used by the present anti-trust lawyers, or any future anti-trust lawyers, to destroy any efficient business that buys cheaply, sells cheaply, and grows big in the process.

Such a decision would mean the end of the vigorous, healthy price competition which has given this country the highest standard of living ever enjoyed by any people anywhere in the history of the world.

The anti-trust lawyers are trying to give a new interpretation to the anti-trust laws that, instead of preserving competition, will reduce competition. They are trying, by court decision, to impose a new kind of economic policy on the people of this country.

Make no mistake about it. If they succeed in destroying A&P they will be destroying the method of distribution that has helped make the American standard of living the envy of the world.

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Nobody's Business

It amuses us and often shames us when we hear remarks other than complimentary of the generation now preparing to take up the duties of American citizenship. Let it be understood now that we feel that these young people are as good in every way as those of any other period, and perhaps more able and better prepared to take over the problems of the future.

The new generation faces problems which are unlike and much greater than any of other times. Most of these questions which must be solved before long are the direct result of the indifference of the voters who should have had more interest in the welfare of the United States Government (not the welfare of the people who seek to live at government expense) since the period of the "depression."

The successors to the present crop of voters, politicians and statesmen, should see that whatever prosperity and comforts we have now are not earned. High as taxes are, the nation is not paying its way. And those controlling its destiny have no intention of doing so.

This "younger generation" will survive, as it must, and put themselves and their nation on its feet. They will do this in spite of us, the older ones, who should have been at least a fair example of old-fashioned American citizenship. We have fallen down on our job. We have allowed our nation to become an easy mark for its own people and the governments of nearly every other nation. We have accomplished little or nothing toward making it easy for our successors to become better men and women.

Let us hope that those who follow us will be able to recognize the errors of our ways and have the good sense to make the most of such opportunities as are left to them. They can still have a good time, live a full clean life, and enjoy many of the privileges of a free nation. But all this must be earned, and can be earned, when we take this business of living in a "free" country more seriously. The American family, town, state, and nation will be much better off when they are carried on in a more sound manner, and nearer to a pay-as-you-go way.

When all the people regard public affairs as their own, and not "nobody's" business, and are interested enough to vote for the candidates they believe best for the office, and take the duties, privileges and responsibilities of their citizenship seriously, the nation will AGAIN be in good hands.

LUCKY CLOVER 4-H CLUB

The last meeting of the Lucky Clover Club was held at Jeanne Nutson's house Nov. 26.

We decided on a card party which is to be held Dec. 3 at 8:00 P.M.

A supper is to be given on Dec. 3 at 6:30 P.M. for the benefit of the East Bethel school hot lunches.

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BETHEL GRAMMAR SCHOOL Basketball Squad

The members of Bethel Grammar School's basketball team have been announced. One letterman, three returning members of last year's team, and many new candidates gave Coach Charles Chapman a large squad from which to select this year's team. After several practices the following boys

were selected for the team: Paul Fossett, Herbie Adams, Lee Merrill, Stanley Clough, Richard Littlefield, Gene White, Steven Clough, Roenell Cummings, Arthur Velleux, Arlan Jodrey, Richard Waterhouse, Lionel Coulombe, Keith Bartlett, Robert Curtis, Howard Donahue, Frank Flint, manager.

Eighth Grade

Tommy Horn, a student from the sixth grade, won the Thanksgiving Basket. We made \$27.00. In social studies we are studying about the United States Government by group discussion and diagrams.

On Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 23, we had a play called "Just What the Doctor Ordered." We invited the seventh grade. The cast was as follows: Mrs. Worden, Donna Anderson; Mr. Worden, Lewis Smith; Jane Worden, Mary Ann Myers; Ruthie Worden, Beverly Onofrio; Bill Worden, Paul Fossett; Mac Frank Flint, The High School football team; Steven Clough, Lincoln Bartlett, Richard Littlefield, Robert Blake, Robert Curtis, Lionel Coulombe, Gene White, Stanley Clough, Lee Merrill, Sonny Klimball and Arlan Jodrey.

Seventh Grade

Very interesting movies were shown last week on Oil, Electricity and Strategic Materials. The Current Event test was given last week. Book reviews and science notebooks are being worked on in spare periods.

Many of the pupils have been ill with colds.

The sixth and seventh grades invited us for plays on Thanksgiving. Sixth Grade

We have been practicing for the Variety Show lately. There will be 10 different acts besides many different booths to play games. The fifth and sixth grades are to bring fudge to sell.

We had a class meeting on Thursday, Nov. 17. We were deciding upon a game for spare time. We got Old Maid.

For class lately we have been having tests in Math and Spelling. Everybody that got a 100% in Spelling Nov. 18, got a box of Cracker Jack.

We only had School three days last week.

We would like to have you visit our room.

Fifth Grade

We got health charts from the Maltese Co. to fill out. If we eat a 100% breakfast every day we can color one of these with any color we want.

We had a contest to bring things for the fish pond. Nancy Morey's won.

Eva Morrill was ill but came back to school Monday.

Over the Thanksgiving recess almost all of us got over our colds.

We all had a good Thanksgiving dinner. We hope you did, too.

We drew names for the Christmas tree which will be at the next meeting at Louise Coolidge's house, Dec. 17.

The leader helped the first year girls on the parts of the sewing machine.

After the meeting ice cream, cake, crackers and candy were served. Club Reporter, June Foster

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Years Ago

10 YEARS AGO—1930

Carl Hansman and David Kirk were fatally wounded in hunting accidents.

The mill of the Hanover Dowel Co. at Hanover was totally destroyed, the loss being estimated at \$10,000.

The house of Moses Smith at Snow Falls was saved by volunteer neighbors and West Paris firemen when a blaze was started by an overheated funnel.

Death—Mrs. Bertha Sumner.

20 YEARS AGO—1920

Herman Skillings was seriously injured when struck by a long board which was crosswise on a truck. Driving his team near the Androscoggin bridge, one of his horses was hit first before the board struck him across the face.

Deaths—John S. Coolidge, Archie D. Felt, Anna B. Wheeler.

50 YEARS AGO—1899

Mr. Lary, a Grand Trunk brakeman, lost two fingers while coupling cars at the Bethel station. Eben S. Kilborn and Addison E. Herrick acquired title to more than 3,000 acres in Albany, part of the A. S. Bean estate.

BORN

In Rumford, Nov. 27, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Deegan of West Greenwood, son.

In Manchester, N. H., to Mr. and Mrs. Leland Mason of Gilhead, a son.

MARRIED

In St. Augustine, Fla., Nov. 5, by the Rev. Fr. Larkin Connolly, Bernard James O'Brien of Fresno, Calif., and Miss Jean DeVane Hill of St. Augustine.

In Waterford, Nov. 23, by the Rev. Wilbur F. Bull, Kendrick Scribner and Miss Gall Curtis, both of Bethel.

DIED

In Bethel, Nov. 22, Miss Lillian Agnes Kenerson, aged 78 years.

In Buckfield, Nov. 24, Miss Annie Willey, formerly of Bethel, aged 80 years.

In Rumford, Nov. 24, George Swan of Dixfield, native of Bethel, aged 78 years.

In Rumford, Nov. 26, Cecilia A. Shurtleff, aged 66 years.

In Lewiston, Nov. 29, Ernest L. Billings of Milton Plantation, aged 66 years.

In Bethel, Dec. 1, Fred F. Bean, aged 88 years.

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. F. Ernest Smith, Pastor
9:45 Church School, Miss Missie Wilson, superintendent.

11:00 Morning worship service, sermon subject, "Cultivation of the Christmas Spirit."

6:30 Youth Fellowship.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. K. W. Hawthorne, Minister

Morning Worship 11:00.

Church School each Sunday at 9:30.

The Christmas Fair will be held

Thursday, Dec. 8, at 2 p. m., in the Church Vestry. Gifts, aprons, Christmas greens, and articles for children will be on sale. Santa Claus will arrive at 3:30 to talk with the children.

The Guild has planned a Christmas party for its members on Dec. 7. The party will be held at 7:30 in the Chapel. On the committee are Florence Emery, Gertrude Hutchins, and Barbara Kuzyk.

"The House Divided" will be the second in a series of sermons on the general theme "Don't Spend

Christmas, Keep It" to be preached Sunday by the Pastor.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

The Lesson-Sermon used in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, is available to everyone who desires to study it.

The subject for Dec. 4 is "God, the only Cause and Creator." Golden Text: "Unto Thee, O God, do we give thanks, unto thee do we give thanks; for what thy name is near thy wondrous works declare" (Psalms 75:1).

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